

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1.-5. (canceled).

6. (currently amended): A system for enabling a calling party to use voice narration to send at least one short message service (SMS) message to a wireless communications device, comprising:

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- i. a voice-enabled communications device for composing a voice message;
 - ii. a call answering system (CAS) for processing and handling said message;
 - iii. an Automatic Voice Recognition Server for converting said message to text, and transferring said text to said CAS; and
 - iv. an Interactive Voice Response System for selecting a pre-prepared message from a plurality of available pre-prepared messages;

wherein said CAS provides a text message, wherein the text message includes the pre-prepared message and said text,

wherein the plurality of available pre-prepared messages are pre-programmed by a called

party.

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7. (currently amended): A system for enabling a message receiver to reply to a message by sending at least one short message service (SMS) message, such that the SMS message is composed using voice via a voice-enabled communications device, comprising:

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- i. a communications device with voice transmission capability, for composing a voice message;
 - ii. a call answering system (CAS) for processing and handling said voice message;
 - iii. an Automatic Voice Recognition Server for converting said voice message to text message portion, and transferring said text message portion to said CAS,
 - iv an Interactive Voice Response System for selecting a pre-prepared message from a plurality of available pre-prepared messages, wherein said CAS provides a text message that includes the pre-prepared message and the text message portion; and
 - v. a SMS application tool for converting said text message to a SMS compatible message,
- wherein the plurality of available pre-prepared messages are pre-programmed by a called party.

8. (previously presented): The system of claim 7, wherein said pre-prepared message is chosen by a calling party.

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9. (currently amended): A method for automatically completing a voice call via non-voice medium, comprising:

preparing a textual message from a voice message; and

transmitting said text message to a communications device by a Call Answering System (CAS);

wherein said text message includes a pre-prepared message selected from a plurality of available pre-prepared messages, and a text portion converted from the voice message,

wherein the plurality of available pre-prepared messages are pre-programmed by a called party.

10. (canceled).

11. (previously presented) The method of claim 9, wherein said pre-prepared message is chosen by a calling party.

12. (previously presented): A method for switching a message medium from voice to text, within the course of a calling party's deposit process, comprising:

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a. converting a voice message to a text format portion using an Automatic Voice Recognition Server, such that said voice message is converted before having entered a voice mail box;

b. preparing a text message, wherein said text message includes a pre-prepared message selected from a plurality of available pre-prepared messages, and the text format portion; and

c. transmitting said text message to a destination communications device, wherein the plurality of available pre-prepared messages are pre-programmed by a called party.

13. (previously presented): A method for receiving voice-messages in non-voice format, comprising:

β i. receiving a voice message, by a Call Answering System (CAS);

ii. converting said voice message into a textual format portion, by an Automatic Voice Recognition Server (AVRS);

iii. preparing a text message, wherein said text message includes a pre-prepared message selected from a plurality of available pre-prepared messages, and the textual format portion; and

iv. transferring said text message, by said CAS, to a user,

wherein the plurality of available pre-prepared messages are pre-programmed by a called party.

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14. (previously presented) The method of claim 13, wherein said textual format message is delivered as a SMS message to said user.

15. (previously presented): A system for receiving a voice message from a calling party, such that the message is received in a non-voice format, comprising:

- i. a Call Answering System (CAS) for processing and handling the voice message; and
- ii. an Automatic Voice Recognition Server (AVRS) for converting the voice message sent to said CAS to a non-voice format, and transferring said converted message to said CAS;

wherein said CAS provides a text message, wherein said text message includes a pre-prepared message selected from a plurality of available pre-prepared messages, and the converted message,

wherein the plurality of available pre-prepared messages are pre-programmed by a called party.

16.-21. (canceled).

22. (previously presented). A system for enabling a calling party to send at least one text message to a called party, comprising:

- i. a call answering system (CAS) for processing and handling a text message, and

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ii. an Interactive Voice Response System for allowing the calling party to select a pre-prepared message from a plurality of available pre-prepared messages;

wherein the CAS provides the text message to the called party, the text message including the pre-prepared message,

wherein the plurality of available pre-prepared messages are pre-programmed by the called party.

23. (previously presented): The system of claim 22, further comprising a SMS application tool for converting said text message to a SMS compatible message.

24. (currently amended): The system of claim 22, further comprising

iii. an Automatic Voice Recognition Server for converting a voice message to a text message portion;

wherein the text message includes the pre-prepared message and the text message portion.